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A MOTION approving the Information Technology
Business Case and recommended solution for the purchase
of ballot tracking and accountability equipment and
software.

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WHEREAS, the council of King County on June 19, 2006 passed ordinance 15523 authorizing the director of the records, elections and licensing services division to conduct all elections entirely by mail ballot in accordance with state laws beginning in 2007 or 2008 as determined by the director if certain conditions are met, and

WHEREAS, conducting all elections in King County by mail will allow the county to focus resources and systems to gain efficiencies and increase security and accountability by limiting dependency on human interaction and ballot handling, and

WHEREAS, the council on October 16, 2006 passed ordinance 15623 requiring the council review and approve by motion: (1) an Information Technology Business Case for the ballot tracking and processing and signature verification equipment and software that: (a) fully complies with the Guiding Principles and other applicable requirements set forth in the Strategic Technology Plan 2006-2008; and (b) has been reviewed and approved by the project review board, and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology Business Case fully complies with the guiding principles and applicable requirements set forth in the Strategic Technology Plan 2006-2008, and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology Business Case has been reviewed and approved by the Project Review Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

The Information Technology Business Case and recommended solution for ballot tracking and accountability provided in Ordinance No. 15623, paragraph 13 submitted by the county executive are hereby approved. The aforementioned business case regarding the necessary purchase of a ballot tracking and accountability system in Ordinance 15623, paragraph 13 including: relative security, cost, reliability, functionality and usability. As a result, the recommendation for the purchase of a ballot tracking and accountability system as outlined in the Information Technology Business case is approved.

Attachment A: VBM Transition, Ballot Tracking and Accountability